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1. (cancelled)
2. (previously presented) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 28, wherein said stiffening wire is a 10 gage galvanized metal wire.
3. (cancelled)
4. (previously presented) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 28, wherein said at least one tool comprises:
 - A. a paint brush, and
 - B. an extension pole.
5. (previously presented) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 28, wherein said attachment means are threads.
6. (previously presented) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 28, wherein said stiffening wire is rigidly attached to said first wire receptor and said second wire receptor.
7. (previously presented) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 28, wherein at least one of said first end or said second end is slidingly attached to either one or both of said first wire receptor and said second wire receptor.
8. (previously presented) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 28, wherein said first wire receptor and said second wire receptor are couplers for receiving said first end and said second end of said stiffening wire and for connecting separate devices.

9. (previously presented) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 28, wherein at least one of said first wire receptor or said second wire receptor comprises a means for slidingly receiving said stiffening wire.
10. (previously presented) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 28, wherein said sheath is helically constructed bendable metal sheath.
11. (cancelled)
12. (currently amended) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 28 ~~Claim 11~~, wherein said two ferrules crimp said stiffening wire, said sheath and said first wire receptor or said second wire receptor.
13. (previously presented) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 28, wherein said stiffening wire is a plurality of stiffening wires.
14. (previously presented) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 28, wherein said bendable extension arm is a bendable handle.
15. (previously presented) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 14, wherein said bendable handle comprises a:
 - A) a hand receiving end, and
 - B) a device attachment end,wherein a user grabs said handle at said hand receiving end and wherein a tool is attached to said handle at said device attachment end.
16. (previously presented) The bendable arm as in Claim 15, wherein said tool is a paint brush.
17. (previously presented) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 28, wherein said stiffening wire permits said bendable extension arm to be bent to a desired shape,

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and wherein said stiffening wire holds said desired shape and prevents said bendable extension arm from bending while said bendable extension arm is utilized.

Claims 18 – 24 (cancelled)

25. (previously presented) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 28, wherein a separate locking device is not necessary to maintain a desired shape when said bendable extension arm is being utilized for extending a user's reach.
26. (previously presented) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 25, wherein not having to utilize a separate locking device to maintain said desired shape allows for said bendable extension arm to be utilized instantly to extend the user's reach after said bendable extension arm is bent to said desired shape.
27. (previously presented) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 28, wherein said bendable extension arm is moved by the user's hand during tool usage.
28. (currently amended) A bendable extension arm for extending a user's reach while at least one tool is connected, said extension arm comprising:
 - A. a deformable stiffening wire sufficiently deformable to be easily deformed by the hands of said user but stiff enough to resist further bending in the course of tool usage, said stiffening wire defining a first end and a second end,
 - B. a first wire receptor attached to said first end, said first end comprising an attachment means for attaching a tool,
 - C. a second wire receptor attached to said second end, and
 - D. a sheath covering said stiffening wire for preventing over bending of said stiffening wire, and
 - E. two ferrules for attaching together said stiffening wire, said sheath and said first wire receptor and said second wire receptor.

wherein said extension arm may be bent by hands of said user into desired shapes up to a bending limit determined by said sheath but remain stiff enough in said desired shapes to resist further bending during tool usage, and wherein substantially all resistance to bending during tool usage below said bending limit is provided by said stiffening wire.

29. (previously presented) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 28, wherein said tool is a paint brush.

30. (previously presented) The bendable extension arm as in Claim 28, wherein said tool is selected from a group consisting essentially of: paint brush, extension pole, hedge trimmer, and broom.